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"Dear Jesus . . .

Thank you

for Daddy

and Mammy

and . . .

Amen"

EDITORIAL

GUEST EDITORIAL

A Child is a Congo

Joseph T. Bayly

IF ONLY Belgium could have had ten more years to prepare the Congo for independence. But independence was thrust upon the Congolese before they were ready for it. World opinion forced Belgium to cut the cord that bound it to its colony, and the result has been anarchy. Now if the Belgians had been given ten years . . .

I stopped listening to the speaker and began to think. I thought of the 60 or 75 years Belgium has ruled Congo: wasn't that enough time? Why ask for ten years more?

Because those years past were spent enjoying the fruits of Congo without developing responsibility and initiative and a pattern of self-government.

Would ten years more make a difference? Perhaps, for a deadline of independence would have to be met, and there might be seventeen hundred university graduates in the Congo by then, instead of the present 16 or 17. There might be an orderly Congolese government, a police force capable of preserving order, an indigenous court system.

But it's too late. The bell has rung on Belgian colonial rule, and the curtain is rising on a new pattern of government.

And then I thought of the government of our home.

The little ones, and the one in elementary school live under colonial rule. But our two teenagers are heading for a deadline of independence. These are the years when we may prepare them for self-government . . . or these may be the years wasted.

"Before I came away to the university," said a Delaware student to me a few years ago, "I was like a dog chained in the front yard. My parents told me everything I had to do, and everything I couldn't do. But believe me, when that chain was broken and I hit the campus, I was my own boss. And that first year I did everything I hadn't been allowed to do at home."

Independence. But anarchy, not responsible self-government.

"I was in a strange city," said another student, about the same age, "and I passed a lurid show. We'd never gone to the movies at home, and I started to turn in. But then the verse of a hymn passed through my mind, the one that goes:

*O let me feel Thee near me;
The world is ever near;
I see the sights that dazzle,*

and believe me, I was looking at them at that moment!

*The tempting sounds I hear;
My foes are ever near me,
Around me and within;
But, Jesus, draw Thou nearer,
And shield my soul from sin.*

"I turned around and walked away from that place as fast as I could."

Independence. But in this case, responsible self-government.

How may we best use these years to prepare our children for the strange city, the faceless uniform, the dazzling sights, the tempting sounds.

(1) *By continuing to rule.* Independence hasn't arrived yet, although it's on the timetable. So we shouldn't abdicate the responsibility God has given us for our children. To do so is to throw them into a whirlpool of decisions for which they aren't ready.

(2) *By encouraging the development of independent self-government.* While we still have the opportunity to counsel them in decisions, we should confront our teenagers with situations in which they must make up their own minds. And when we say, "You decide what to do," we should give them an honest choice without mental arm twisting.

(3) *By toughening them up.* We should be thankful for teachers who bear down on them and make them work. We should even be thankful for teachers who rub them the wrong way. The post-teenage world will give them little sympathy, and if we've been accustomed to administering it to our children, the teenage is the time to withdraw it. Sergeants and nursing supervisors and classmen will not be patient with softness.

But, you say, this treatment shouldn't start when a child becomes a teenager. And you're right. Teenage is the warning bell, the final chance. Responsible self-government should be our constant aim in training our children, from the time they are small.

I have heard of parents who withdrew their elementary school children from Christian schools because they happened to hit a teacher who expected a lot from the children, more than was expected at home, and exerted a certain amount of pressure to obtain it. And so the parents responded (after the administration and board had investigated, and failed to find the teacher exerting too much pressure — although more than some others might exert) by taking their children out of the school.

I do not deny that God may lead parents in particular instances to adopt such

a course of action. But here is a great danger, for escape is not possible—nor God's usual provision—for the problems of life.

We used to fear (just a little) the time our children would hit the teenage. But thank God, He who worked in childhood is working now. And we can trust Him for the future, when the Congo becomes independent.

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Selvar the Seer Sez,

THE FRANCISCAN ORDER had a rule that when a Brother preached an unusually eloquent sermon he should be set the next morning to paring potatoes for breakfast.

I suppose they thought it most unlikely that a man would "think of himself more highly than he ought to think" while engaged at so menial a task. It was their method of keeping the Brother from joining the club of "lords over God's heritage" on Monday morning. It was their intent rather that he remain among the "ensamples to the flock," as Peter recommends.

Perhaps paring potatoes was classed with "eating humble pie." But I do wonder just what this would have to do with a heart condition where the seat of pride is. A man could be reduced quite low on the outside and still be quite "lifted up" inside.

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THERE IS probably no such thing as a wholly thankless heart. Everyone at some time feels a sense of gratitude for benefits received. This seems to be instinctive, or if not instinctive then surely acquired at a very early age.

That a great many persons fail in the degree of their thankfulness we all know too well. Hardly anyone but has known remorse for his failure to express proper gratitude to father or mother or friend till it was too late. And most of us have felt the chill that comes to those who do acts of kindness for persons who receive them as matters of course without so much as a word of thanks.

Even Christ appears to have suffered from such treatment, for after He had healed ten lepers and only one returned to give Him thanks He asked rather sadly, "Where are the nine?" We dare not read too much into this, but it seems fair to assume that He wanted the cleansed lepers to thank Him, and was disappointed when they did not.

But even here we must not conclude that these men were wholly thankless. They may quite easily have been grateful to friends and relatives, or even to total strangers who might have helped them in the past, and still have failed to express their thanks to the One who deserved it most.

This habit of thanking everyone but God is not confined to those nine lepers. Enter a plane, a train, a restaurant or any other place where modern civilized men and women meet and mingle and you will see evidences of the same spirit. You will hear thanks given and acknowledged right and left without so much as a mention of God.

Somewhere I read of the Christian farm boy who went to college and who in the dining room always bowed his head to thank God before beginning to eat. When some of his fellow students ribbed him for it he grinned and said, "Hogs don't thank anybody either when they eat their swill." It might have been a bit direct, but I am sure everyone got the point.

It is important that we trace our benefits back to their source and express our thanks to the One "from whom all blessings flow," rather than merely to feel a vague stirring of gratefulness that results in nothing real.

I once lived with a fine old couple, neither of whom was a Christian, and I was impressed with the profound sense of gratitude they felt for everything they possessed. When the winter winds moaned through the trees and made the old house tremble the old man would smile and say, "Ah! How good it is to have a warm place to sleep on a night

like this!" And the mother would often speak of her large family, now grown and scattered: "How grateful I am that they are all healthy and all mentally sound. I am so thankful." Their gratitude was genuine. Of that there could be no trace of a doubt, but I often wondered who was the recipient of it. Whom were they thanking? They never said.

The irreligious world has its own way of reacting. When things "break" fortunately for a businessman, an athlete or a politician he will slap his hands together and shout, "Great! Wonderful!" He is thanking someone; but whom?

It could be that the old couple of whom I speak were actually meaning to express their thankfulness to God, and that the modern man who shouts his pleasure at his lot in life secretly feels his indebtedness to God; the trouble is that they were and are ashamed to direct their gratitude pointedly to One with whom they are not acquainted.

They flee like Adam and hide among the trees of the garden rather than face

up to the God they know they have offended. Fear of being thought queer sometimes leads people to express religious ideas in generalities instead of in concrete terms.

It is much easier to say, "I am thankful," than to say as Paul did, "I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord." The first does not commit the man. It is broad enough to afford footroom to retreat if someone should challenge him. The second burns its bridges and takes up its cross.

In these bright brown days of autumn we will be reminded a hundred times that we have a world of blessings for which we should render thanks. Let's not withhold our expressions of gratitude. Thankfulness that is put into words has a healing effect upon the soul and has a good effect upon those who hear. But let's avoid pagan ambiguity. For "to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we by Him" (I Cor 8:6).

—Gospel Banner

Thankful?

Yes.

But to Whom?

A. W. Tozer



A Thankful Spirit

P. W. Thomas

Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Eph. 5:20).

THE APOSTLE PAUL WAS a man of a thankful spirit. He knew the blessing of an inner life rightly related to Jesus Christ and the transcendent joys that arose from that relationship. No man was ever better qualified to write the words of this exhortation: "Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."

At this season of the year, our minds are directed to the subject of thankfulness. The national day of Thanksgiving is at the door, and it is a very welcome holiday. We may be accustomed to thinking of a thanksgiving day beginning with Governor Bradford of Plymouth when the ship returned from England with food supplies for the hungry colonists. A day had been set for fasting and prayer, but the morning witnessed the arrival of the ship and the day was turned into one of thanksgiving.

But we may go far back into the early history of Israel and find a special season of thanksgiving. There was a fixed custom of a feast of thanksgiving each year at the time of the gathering of the crops. "And the feast of harvest, the first fruits of thy labours, which thou hast sown in the field: and the feast of ingathering, which is in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labours out of the field" (Ex. 23:16).

Many are the examples and admonitions in the Bible on this subject of giving thanks to God. Thanksgiving is an acknowledgment with gladness of the benefits and mercies which God bestows upon ourselves and others. And we are exhorted to give thanks to God for the moral blessings of wisdom and knowledge, for saving grace, and particularly for our Lord Jesus Christ, the unspeakable gift of God.

Nothing can adorn the spirit of man more becomingly than genuine thankfulness in all the circumstances of life. Conversely, nothing is more distressing than the all too common form of evil known as ingratitude. Our Lord's question, "Where are the nine?" brings into sharp focus for all time the ugliness of man's ingratitude. Ten lepers, who had sought healing as Jesus passed through Samaria on His way to Jerusalem, were touched by the healing power of the Son of God. But only one returned to give glory to God.

The thankfulness, of which Paul speaks in this epistle to the Ephesians, carries us beyond the traditional giving of thanks at holiday seasons; it goes infinitely deeper than any social grace, as important as such things are in the course of daily living. The gratitude, the giving of thanks in all things, of which Paul writes, is a spiritual triumph in Christ and is a direct result of His saving grace and sanctifying power.

"Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit," is the opening statement of the paragraph from which the text of this meditation is taken. Paul continues, "Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." Such thankfulness, such joy, finds its source far beyond the vision of uninspired men. Its springs are deep in God!

Such a spirit can rejoice in dark and threatening times. It was the relationship between Jesus our Saviour and God the Father which enabled the Saviour to offer thanks at the last supper when He was already marked for betrayal and stood in the shadow of the cross. The same relationship, albeit in much lesser degree, enabled Christ's apostles to pray and sing praises at the midnight hour in a Roman jail and when Paul stood a prisoner on a storm-driven vessel to offer thanks to God before a shipload of fear-stricken people.

True thankfulness is a form of faith. Songs and thanksgiving in the dark hours of life are often veritable ladders to heaven. During World War I, a young ambulance driver, heading for the front line trenches without lights and amid falling shells, began to fear that he might become frightened and panic. Then he began to sing softly to himself an anthem he had learned in the college choir: "The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?" Soon he forgot himself and performed his duty with such credit that subsequently he was decorated for bravery.

Christians must meet the present emergency of the times in a spirit of optimism; and, God be praised, this they can do. The days are evil, to be sure. Things are dark and appear to be growing darker, but is it not exactly as Jesus forewarned us? These things do not discredit the prophetic word; rather, they confirm it. And our Christian joy and our thankfulness are a witness of our

own confidence in God and our hope of the world to come.

How we shall pass from this world, none can say. It may be that a giant puff of flame and smoke over our cities shall mark our swift and complete destruction; but however and whenever we leave this world, Christ is still our Saviour and heaven is still our home. So, bless God, we shall give "thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ."

—Pilgrim Holiness Advocate

"The Lost Thank-offering Boxes"

How dear to my heart are those thank-offering boxes,

Those thank-offering boxes they gave us last fall.

So careful we've kept them, so choice we've been of them,

We scarcely can tell where we put them at all.

We've hunted all over from garret to cellar, In boxes, in corners, in closet and hall.

Where could we have hidden those thank-offering boxes,

Those thank-offering boxes they gave us last fall?

They asked for our dollars, our dimes, and our nickels,

Even wee bits of money we scarcely would miss,

We surely expected to fill to o'erflowing Those thank-offering boxes—oh, long, long ere this.

The heathen are dying, they're groping in darkness,

They cry, "Come and help us," to one and to all.

But what shall we do, and oh, where can we find them,

Those thank-offering boxes they gave us last fall?

At last we have found them, those thank-offering boxes,

In depths of the dresser drawer tucked out of sight;

Buried deep under gloves, laces, ribbons and clothing,

Yes! hidden in corners as dark as the night.

Oh, had we but put them where we could have found them,

We'd have them quite full just as likely as not.

We wanted to fill them when last fall we took them

But laid them away and just simply forgot.

Every day is a day to make good resolutions, Each day is a day to begin life anew.

Let all resolve that henceforth and forever Those thank-offering boxes shall be kept in full view.

We'll save here a quarter and we'll save there a nickel,

We'll ever remember the heathen's loud call, We'll not only pray, but those thank-offering boxes

Shall be filled to o'erflowing for the "ingathering" next fall.

—Selected

"Beware, Lest Thou Forget"

Donald D. Crandall

THERE IS a legend concerning two angels who started out from heaven one morning to gather the prayers of men. As they neared the earth, they were impressed by the great beauty all about them. There were orchards laden with fruit, fields golden with ripening grain, green pastures, beautiful flowers, and a look of peace and plenty everywhere.

"Let us divide our work," said one of the angels. "My bag is much larger than yours; I shall gather the prayers of praise and thanksgiving, while you, with your smaller bag, may gather the complaints and petitions." So they departed, and each went about his work.

At sunset they met again. The angel with the small bag said, "Such a busy day as I have had! This bag did not begin to hold all the complaints and petitions; I have had to make three trips! Who would have thought people could be so discontented!"

"And I," said the other sadly—"I found this to be a long day. People seemed to have all their hearts could desire, and yet I was able to find only this one little 'Thank you.'"

The prophet Moses foresaw this lack of thanksgiving among the children of Israel who were preparing to enter the Promised Land, so he said, "When thou shalt have eaten and be full; then beware lest thou forget the Lord" (Deut. 6:11b-12). Moses was aware of the dangers that awaited God's people. There would be hostile armies, lurking death, temptation of idols, and cities inviting to sin. Yet Moses was confident that the people would, out of necessity, depend upon God to conquer the giants of the land.

The real problem would come after the enemy had been defeated, the cities captured, the country subdued. In a land of plenty, resting in homes of comfort, feasting from the abundance of the earth, would come the subtle temptation to neglect the God who had led them out of Egyptian bondage. With great fervor Moses warned the people, "When thou shalt have eaten and be full; then beware lest thou forget the Lord."

These words have a deep significance for our country this Thanksgiving season. We have eaten, we are full, and we are apparently forgetting the Lord.

A panoramic glance at our national heritage shows how true this is. America was conceived when a group of sea-weary and God-fearing pilgrims knelt on a cold New England shore and thanked God for a safe journey across the vast ocean. America was consecrated to the Lord when the early settlers stopped work for a day and offered hymns of praise and prayers of thanksgiving unto the Lord. For although their crop

was not a phenomenal success, they felt it was adequate, for it supplied their needs.

Since those early years of struggle and heartache, America has grown until she is one of the great nations in the world. In this country of wealth, ease and pleasure, many have forgotten to be thankful to the One who has made her great. Millions will celebrate the day of

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SOUTH OF Bethlehem, just off the road to Hebron, is Solomon's Pool. In March, 1961, when I visited this historic spot with Walter Martin, the huge pool was filled with fresh water that reflected the beauty of the lovely pine trees growing around it.

In August, 1963, I took this picture. Standing in the shadow in the foreground are paxman Stanley Weaver and MCC Jordan director Herbert Swartz. The huge pool, due to the recent drought, had only a few inches of water in one corner on the far side. Its stark emptiness seemed to symbolize the latter days of the life of the king who built it.

Solomon says: "I made me gardens and orchards, and I planted trees in them of all kinds of fruits. I made me pools of water, to water therewith the wood that bringeth forth trees" (Ecc. 2:4-5). This second chapter of Ecclesiastes records the vain search for happi-

ness after "Solomon did evil in the sight of the Lord—and his heart was turned from the Lord God of Israel" (II Kings 11:6, 9). After losing God out of his life, he went in search of happiness and satisfaction by a quest for pleasure, building great works and acquiring wealth, pursuing entertainment and achieving greatness. (See Ecc. 2:1-11.) But "all was vanity and pursuit of wind."

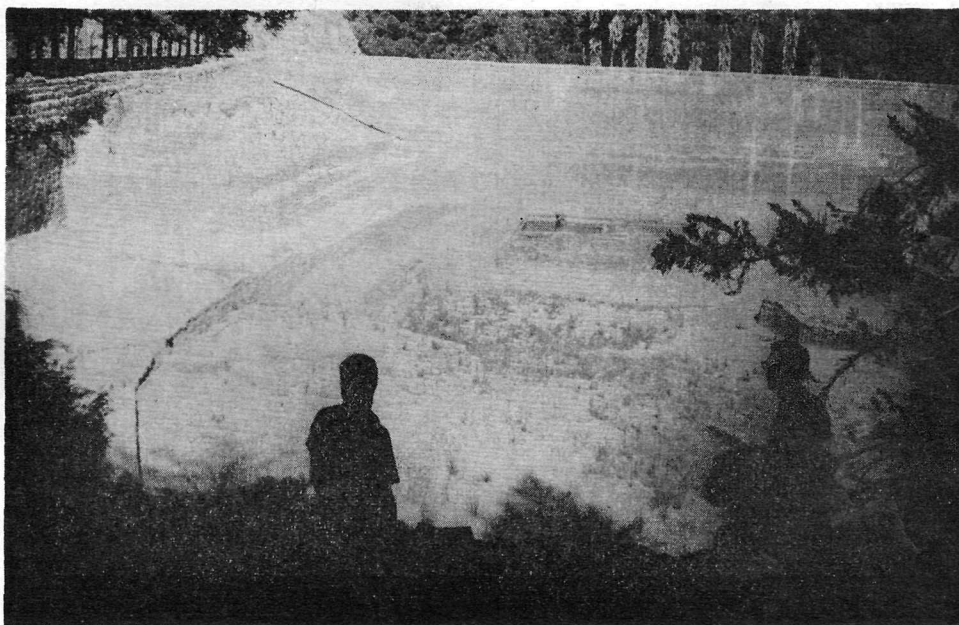
For Solomon's life had become empty and he says bitterly, "Therefore, I hated life, yea, I hated all my labor which I had taken. Therefore, I went about to cause my heart to despair of all the labor which I took under the sun" (Ecc. 2:17, 18, 20).

When Solomon lost fellowship with God, life became empty. His desperate quest for satisfaction through pleasure, personal accomplishments, acquiring wealth and achieving greatness only resulted in the desperate cry, "all is vanity."

Holy Land musings No. 5

C. N. Hostetter, Jr.

Solomon's Pool



TO GOD BE THE GLORY, GREAT THINGS HE HATH DONE." With this refrain ringing in our ears, the dedication service for the school was closed.

"Great things He hath done" indeed. When we first saw the site on October 17th, 1961, one had to have a fertile imagination to be able to paint a mental picture of what was to be, for the road was a typical bush path: proceed slowly and trust there are no stumps hidden in the grass! The buildings were brick-makers' grass shelters, and an old shed in which to store materials.

In theory the plans were approved by government, but no money had been received and without money there could be no further progress. Plans were to open school in August of 1962, so that each succeeding week without word of the money caused much concern. It looked impossible — two dormitories, a dining hall-kitchen, classrooms, three staff houses—all to be ready by August and no money in sight. We kept looking to God.

In due time the money came and the first concrete was poured on December first. From then on things kept rolling. "*Great things . . . !*" At times problems or delays appeared as unsurmountable mountains but HE never failed us.

The first class of Form 1 enrolled on the 13th of August, 1962—30 girls and 40 boys—each one eager to learn. Most of them also realized just how fortunate they were to be in school, for many had friends who had applied and been rejected, as there were over 300 applicants from which to choose that class of 70; this year, over 400. A stack of "Sorry, there is no place" letters is kept on hand, for all during the year requests come in.

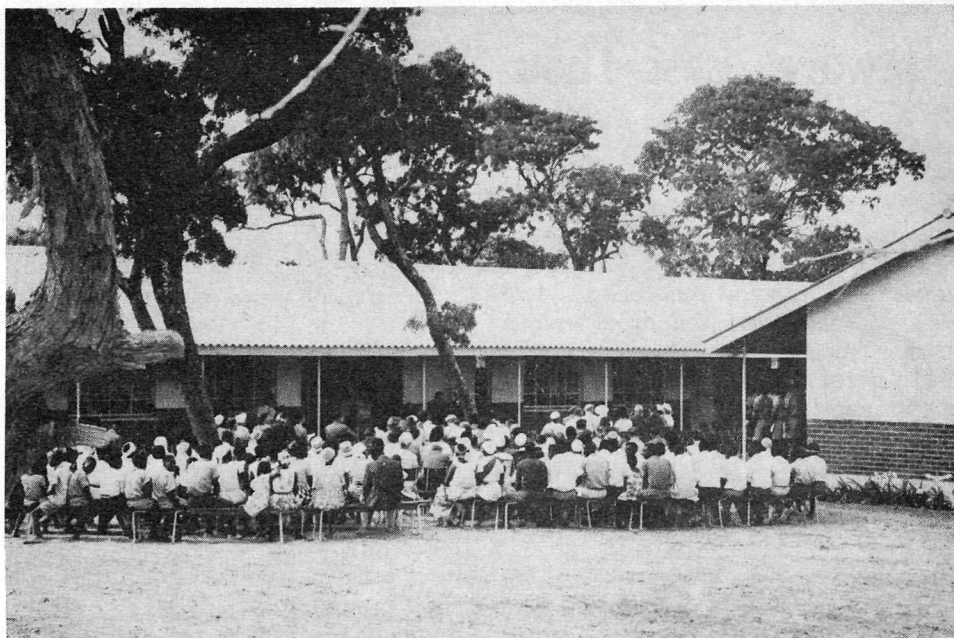
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And now the school has been officially opened by the Minister of African Education, Mr. H. N. Nkumbula. The Reverend E. G. Nightingale of the Methodist Church, Secretary of the Christian Council of Northern Rhodesia, gave the dedicatory address, focusing our thoughts on the text, "He that hath the Son hath life" (1 John 5:12).

Bishop D. E. Climenhaga read the Declaration:

It is with an awareness of God's grace and the co-operation of each other [Pilgrim Holiness and B in C] that we are privileged to behold this completed structure . . .

This educational centre will provide facilities and opportunities for transmitting to this and future generations the treasure of our Christian faith. Here the Bible will be taught. Here inquiring minds will be exposed to truth and hearts to Him Who is the truth. Here all of life will be measured by the written and the Incarnate Word in order that each life may



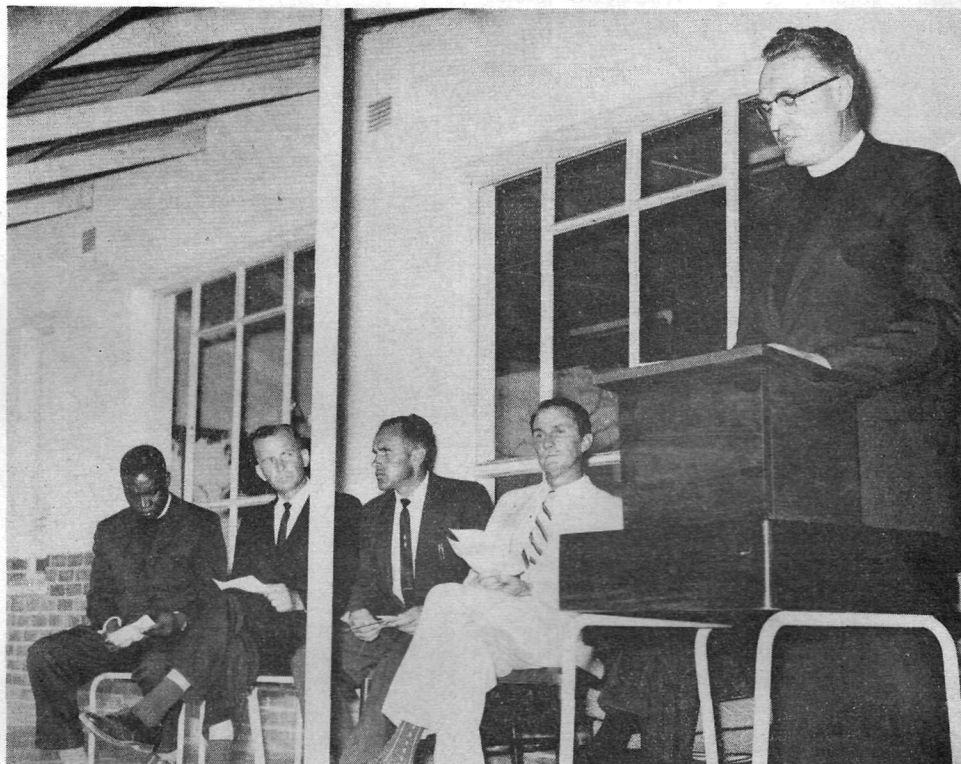
Part of the some three hundred friends and students present for the dedication service.

MISSIONS

Choma Secondary School Dedication

September 25

(operated jointly by the Pilgrim Holiness and Brethren in Christ Missions)



Bishop David E. Climenhaga during the Rite of Dedication.



The Minister of African Education unveiling the cornerstone and declaring the school officially opened.

be lived with purpose and that Christ might be formed within.

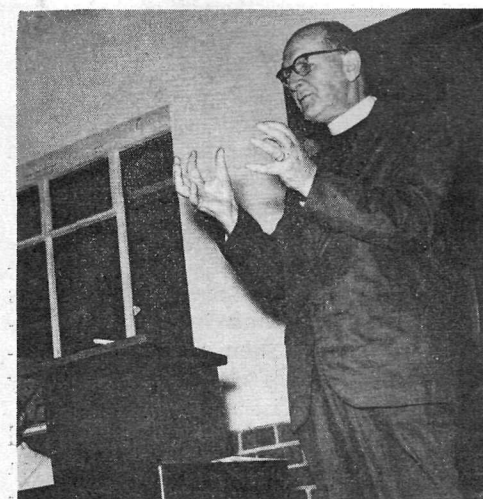
We give thanks to God for . . . The building was then dedicated "to the continual search for abundant life that is in Christ . . ."

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We count it a great privilege to have Bible classes in the regular school program. Our desire for each one of the students is that they may come to a personal knowledge of Christ.

This is only the beginning of a program which has great potential. This past July we enrolled a new Form I Class, another 68 students. Plans are to go on to Senior Secondary in January of 1965. Already the rush of another phase of the building program is under way.

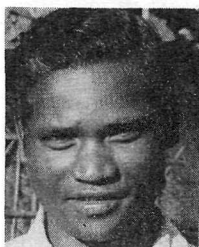
—Ethel Brubaker, N. Rhodesia



The Reverend E. G. Nightingale giving dedication address.

First Generation Christians

ALL THE Santals in our area are first generation Christians. . . Nevertheless, they are vigorous in propagating their new-found faith amidst severe persecutions.



At one point Luke Murmu significantly remarked, "I don't think a person can really be a Christian without persecution." He himself was practically disowned by his father when he became a Christian, but through a consistent life and witness, his father is softening and others in the family have become Christians.

Indeed, Luke was somewhat worried lest persecution slacken and the Christians become anemic. These Christians



This Santal Christian family, in the midst of non-Christians, has painted a bright red cross on their house.

do not live in "sheltered compounds," but remain in their own villages and families as a living witness of the power of the Gospel to save and transform.

About forty Santal and Uraon leaders attended the *Leaders Retreat* Wednesday and Thursday of last week—the first such meeting since we are here.

On Friday we went to Purnea for the dedication of the new home where two of our pastors—Luke Murmu and Patras will be living. About 100 to 125 people were present. The radiance with which they listened and participated was most captivating.



Cutting off the tek—the tuft of hair on a male that is never cut by a Hindu—or by a Santal that has adopted some Hindu customs. In this case the boy's parents have become Christians and the boy's tek is cut to show the breaking and putting off of heathen customs.

We have been much impressed with the zeal of the Santals and Uraons. Leaders like Luke and Patras spend many hours walking from one village to another to tell the story of Christ and to be a source of encouragement and strength to the newborn Christians.

H. Sider

Returning to India

Rev. Allen and Leoda Buckwalter, on loan to Far East Broadcasting Company, under assignment to radio evangelism. Plans are to leave Los Angeles by Pan Am on November 6th. Flight stopovers include Tokyo — where they anticipate spending several days with the Graybills and Zooks, Okinawa, Hong Kong, Manila—for ten days where they will be "inventorying India tapes and learning a lot in a short time—too short!"

Their daughter Joanne will be attending B in C-related Western Christian High School, Pomona, California.



Rev. and Mrs. Allen Buckwalter.

Crusaders

It's Quiz Time!

L. Nelson Wingert,

Director of Christ's Crusaders Bible Quiz

BANDS ARE playing! Whistles blow! Bright-colored teams clash head-on! Footballs—soon to be replaced by basketballs and the tall boys—are flying almost everywhere. All across our land high school boys and girls are cheering their teams on to victory. A few of the best will find a place on the college team, and a very few of the best of these may find a spot on a professional team. To the rest, these experiences will soon be only fond memories in the school year book and a few clippings from the paper.

There's another contest underway. True, there are no bands playing, and not many cheer-leaders are cheering their teams. But a lot of teenagers are preparing for the Bible quizzes. Youth for Christ teams have already begun to quiz, and before many weeks go by you will be hearing plans for our own church-wide Crusader quiz.

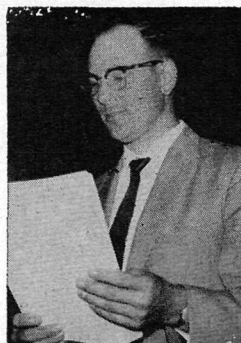
Why don't you suggest to your youth director or pastor that your Crusaders sponsor a quiz team this year if you aren't already planning one. If you are a small group, join with a neighboring church to form a team. All you need to begin are some willing Crusaders and your Bible. You will want a coach who

will help you organize and who will work and pray with you as you study and as you quiz. Study techniques and quiz rules will soon be available through your regional directors, but all you need to begin is your Bible. Read the portions as a whole, learn places, persons, conversations, and memorize key verses. These are the basic steps to a successful team.

The Scripture portions for this year's study are Genesis, chapters 1-4 and 6-9, and I Corinthians, chapters 1-16. This combines a very interesting historical study from the Old Testament and a doctrinal study from the New.

I would like to join with the Commission on Youth in suggesting that you take advantage of every opportunity to quiz other Crusader, Youth for Christ, or other church teams in your area during the winter months before the church play-offs begin on the regional level. These quizzes can add a lot of zip to your Crusader programs this winter.

Here is a chance for you to get not only a few memories of fun and of team efforts but also a heart full of God's Word that will stay with you all of your life. Plan now—begin now—for a score that means more in '64!



YFCI Emphasizes Church Attendance

SUNDAY, November 24, was designated as "Every Teen in Church Sunday" by Youth for Christ International, Wheaton, Illinois. The special day when teenagers were encouraged to attend church was the climax of National Youth for Christ Week which began on November 18.

Youth for Christ promoted church attendance by teenagers through its nearly 300 local programs and its 3,200 high school and junior high YFC Clubs.

Dr. Carl J. Bihl, President of YFCI, explained the purpose of the special effort: "Of course we prefer that teenagers go to church every Sunday of the year, but as a group they do not attend, according to most surveys . . . We believe that a young person who stays away from church cannot possibly realize his full potential as an individual and as a useful citizen. It takes that extra spiritual dimension that comes only as the young person comes face to face with his Saviour, Jesus Christ."

British Youth Evangelize in Modern Idiom

GUITARS AND DRUMS are not considered normal tools for use by a church in its evangelistic outreach, but a group of young theological students at Spurgeon's College is using them effectively to reach people for Christ who are normally outside of any contact with the church.

Known as the Venturers, the young students frequently hold meetings in youth clubs, cafes, factory canteens and in the open air. Their music follows the idiom of the pop singers with which their listeners are best acquainted. Then the gospel team members interview each other during a performance as a means of conveying the Christian message.

Equally successful is the special "shoot the parson" session when the youthful preachers open themselves up for questions from the audience. Through this means of stimulating interest and discussion they are then able to talk personally with people who are seriously interested in Christianity.

While some criticism has been leveled at them, the Venturers continue with evangelism in the modern idiom confident that they are filling an unmet need in the field of evangelism.—CNS



HOME MISSIONS

Graduation Day

SAXTON. And it was "an high day in Zion." September 29, 1963, marked the transfer of the Saxton work from the status of a mission pastorate under the Board for Home Missions and Extension, to that of an established congregation under the Bishop of the Allegheny Conference.

Letters of invitation were sent to everyone who had been associated with the work, either actively or in supervisory capacity. Those who could not attend were requested to write a letter of greeting to the congregation and also to send personal or family pictures. The response was most gratifying.

The morning session was designated as Homecoming, with former pastors and friends participating in devotionals, Sunday school classes, and sermon. The afternoon service featured a time of reminiscence and fellowship. Here again personnel of other years took part in invocation and testimony, and suggested old favorites for singing. Christ's Crusaders young people read the letters of greeting.

Then followed the special feature of the day, which was not planned by the program committee, but by God.

On the preceding Thursday night, in the early morning hours the Lord began to lay on the pastor's heart an added blessing for the day. It came point by point, even to the theme by which it should be known: "Memorial Prayer Services." It consisted of "Touring the Glory Trail," and holding a special prayer service at each place involved in the origin of the Saxton work, 1931-32.

The next two days the pastor was busy making preparations for visiting these places, all of which were within five or six miles of the present church.

The day was gorgeous: foliage in richest autumn colors, sunshine bright, and a warm air. Leaving the church at about 3:40 p.m., nineteen cars with some eighty people set out.

► Point 1—Where the William Tenleys had lived in East Saxton. Into this home Brother Harry Fink had been invited. As the group assembled on the lawn, the pastor related a few significant facts. The Harry Finks and Roscoe Ebersoles had come to the first prayer meeting in this home. Rev. Walter O. Winger prayed.



Area of tent meeting—lower left of macadam and the present church building.

► Point 2—A house on Branch Street in Saxton where John Ramsey had lived. Here Brother Fink held the first Brethren in Christ preaching service. He prayed the memorial prayer.

► Point 3—This was Weaver's Picnic Grove, about five miles north of Saxton on Highway 26 at which site had been held "The Woods Meeting." Sr. Hannah Reed, the first convert, gave testimony, and Sr. Ebersole prayed the special prayer.

► Point 4—Site of the "Old Grange Hall" where had been held a much-spoken-of meeting. Only a corner of the foundation is now visible, the major portion being in the roadbed of Highway 913 at the intersection with Route 26, a mile west of Saxton. Ross Morningstar had been converted. He led in prayer.

► Point 5 — This was where Frank Weaver had a garage in East Saxton. Many healings and miracles of grace

took place. This prayer was led by Rev. Jesse Oldham, who helped organize the first Saxton Brethren in Christ Sunday school, held in this garage.

► Point 6—Within a few yards of the church a tent meeting had been held at the western edge of the adjacent paved parking area. Rev. Herman G. Miller had been the evangelist, and here he prayed.

Thus the "Memorial Prayer Services" along the "Glory Trail" were ended, but never to be forgotten. All details had worked out in full, as revealed in the night. Glory to God! Everyone was happy—and hungry. The evening meal was served to about fifty folk in the parsonage, under the competent arrangements of Hazel Ritchey and Betty Hamman.

Then the climax: formal "Graduation Service" at 7 p.m. The Freedom Four male quartet from Altoona sang. A brief history of the work was presented by Kenneth Miller, the local church board secretary. Bishop Charlie B. Byers gave the "Graduation Message," and Rev. Charles W. Rife was in charge of the ceremony of transfer. Church board treasurer, Brother Paul Hamman, had charge of the offering. The pastor gave the "Projection of the Future," the Bishop led in a special prayer for the congregation, and Bro. Rife pronounced the benediction.

Pictures were taken throughout the day for permanent record, and through the courtesy of S. Gerald Weaver the complete activities were tape recorded, including "clippings" from the supper hour. To God be all the glory! Many rich days are anticipated until Jesus comes. Amen!

—Rev. Glenn G. Hostetter, pastor



Mission Board Chairman, Charles Rife, transfers oversight of the congregation to Charlie B. Byers, Bishop of the Allegheny Conference.

Growing

BALTIMORE. Rev. Rupert Turman writes:

"It seems as if we came to Baltimore to gather fruit. Seeds have been sown, sermons preached, lives lived, prayers prayed, counseling done—the Lord only knows the rest.

"Fruit has been gathered and the Lord is moving among us today. Eleven souls have turned to Christ in September. Five of these are mothers, one father, three teenage girls, one single lady, and a young girl. This surely brings responsibility. You will pray, won't you? Our first baptismal service is scheduled for October 13; a reception service for October 20.

"We are happy to have been chosen to this needy, open field. The challenge is great. The job is tremendous. The majority of the residents are southern people. Pray for the southern pastor that inroads may be found into the needy hearts. As a family we need prayer for spiritual and physical strength. We are His servants."

Board for Home Missions and Extension

Financial Report for Third Quarter, 1963

Balance July 1st\$ 455.29

Receipts

BUDGET:

Churches and Organizations	\$10,889.05	
General Conference		
Offering (U.S.)	1,766.79	
Individuals	2,739.06	
Camp Meetings	3,176.43	
Jacob Kauffman, bequest	500.00	
Interest Paid	251.30	\$19,322.63

NON-BUDGET:

Specials	\$ 294.04	
Loan Payments	2,689.92	
Board for World Missions	50.00	\$ 3,033.96
Total Receipts plus Balance		\$22,811.88

Expenditures

ADMINISTRATION:

Executive Secretary	\$ 589.30	
Travel	385.46	
Office	143.59	
Annuity Interest	70.00	
Checks	9.66	
Promotion	946.46	\$ 2,144.47

FIELD:

Subsidies	\$15,378.36	
Special Subsidies	485.00	
Travel, Moving of Workers	1,291.75	
Bank Service		
Charge	1.50	
Last Quarter's Debt	1,000.00	\$18,156.61

NON-BUDGET:

Specials	\$ 350.04	
Loan Paid	1,000.00	
Returned to Savings	1,000.00	\$ 2,350.04
Total Expenditures		\$22,651.12
Balance October 1st	\$ 160.76	

Andrew H. Slagenweit, Treas.

Board for World Missions

GENERAL FUND STATEMENT
For Quarter Ended September 30, 1963

Receipts and Balances

Canadian Balance, July 1, 1963	\$ 2,002.88
U.S.A. Balance, July 1, 1963	(2,656.56)
Canadian Receipts	\$ 8,135.37
U.S.A. Receipts	37,060.35
Total Receipts and Balances	\$44,542.04

Disbursements

ADMINISTRATIVE ACCOUNTS:

Salaries	\$ 429.88
Travel	135.35
Rent and Maintenance	86.50
Office Expense	453.49
In and Out	168.14
Mission Agencies	332.00

PERSONNEL ACCOUNTS:

Furlough Allow.	2,895.83
Fares to/from Field ..	8,869.24
Furlough Travel	808.94
Promotion	893.39
Medical	65.50
Social Security	705.84

Education of Personnel	80.00
Field Visitation	21.00
Children's Education	37.50
Miscellaneous	16.30

FIELD ACCOUNTS:

Africa, General	10,573.33
Africa, Special	1,761.63
India, General	7,631.06
India, Special	1,536.74
Japan, General	3,786.13
Japan, Special	523.87
Cuba, General	224.38

Total Disbursements 42,036.04

General Fund Balance, September 30, 1963\$ 2,506.00

Analysis of Balance

U.S.A. Balance	\$ 730.67
Canada Balance	1,775.33
	\$2,506.00

RESTRICTED FUND STATEMENT

For Quarter Ended September 30, 1963

Receipts

Canadian Receipts	\$ 2,594.89
U.S.A. Receipts	18,322.72
Total	\$20,917.61

Disbursements

Personals	\$ 760.85
Non-Budgeted	
Specials	16,287.65
I-W and V.S. Allow.	330.00
Annuity Interest	237.33
Albums	271.29
J. L. Myers Memorial ..	150.00

Office Equipment	175.00
Miscellaneous	23.00
Total Disbursements	18,235.12
Restricted Fund Balance	\$ 2,682.49

"Beware, Lest Thou Forget"

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Thanksgiving, but all too few will honor the spirit of Thanksgiving.

When you have eaten and are full of all the tempting treats of the traditional Thanksgiving dinner, remember the advice of Moses. Don't forget that God, and God only, provided the food. When you enjoy the love of your family, don't forget that love itself springs from God. When you sit in your easy chair, relaxed and pleased with an abundance of life, don't forget, "All good gifts come from above." Above all, be thankful for Jesus Christ, and the blessed salvation that is offered to all men.

Pray for our nation this Thanksgiving, and then extend the spirit of Thanksgiving throughout the entire year. When one has this spirit he will not forget to say "Thank you."

—The Free Methodist



Notes from the Editorial Page of the "Evangelical Visitor"

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"Seek ye the Lord while he may be found."

"Say ye to the righteous that it shall be well with him."

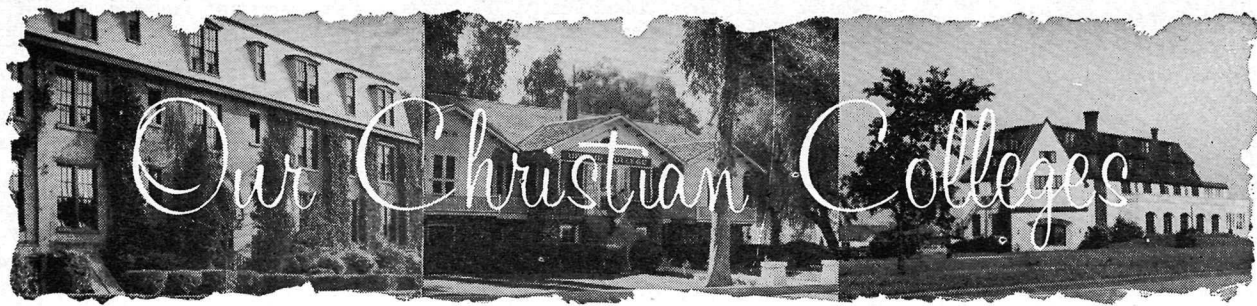
"Have you received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?"

"Bro. Noah Zook is now at Des Moines, Iowa, in religious work."

"Bro. George Detwiler is now laboring at Gormley, Ont., in revival work with apparent good results."

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Evangelical Visitor



MESSIAH COLLEGE Elbert N. Smith

REV. WOODHOUSE, EVANGELIST

October 13-18 was set aside for the college evangelistic services. Rev. John Woodhouse and the Silvertone Trio from St. Petersburg, Florida, conducted the services.

Rev. Woodhouse has served in Bible conference crusades, the Oriental Missionary Society, Youth for Christ activities, and has participated with such noted leaders as Hyman Appelman, Bob Jones, Grady Wilson, and others. With the Trio, Rev. Woodhouse used every opportunity to help students and community to recognize the presence of the Spirit of God. His messages were stimulating and searching. Chapel services and evening services recorded many decisions for Christ.

Ronald Samuels, a freshman from Mechanicsburg, suggested that "time will, through individual lives, reveal the deeper results of his being here." Sophomore Premnath Dick of Silverdale felt that "his message was well developed and in general met the need of the student body." Alvera Hershey, a senior from Englewood, Ohio, suggested that the evangelist was "very worthwhile . . . we all learned a good lesson."

HONG KONG STUDENT ENROLLED

One of eleven international students enrolled at Messiah College is Chiu Chuen Wan, a junior from Hong Kong. More commonly known as Leonard, he is majoring in chemistry and mathematics.

Desirous of studying in a church college atmosphere, Leonard transferred to Messiah College upon recommendation of his aunt, Fu Tung Liu, who had previously attended the college. His parents are both teachers in Hong Kong.

In commenting on American life, Leonard thinks that American culture is not, as many contend, on the "decline." It is, instead, a period of rapid transition and searching for truth.

Leonard especially likes the climate in central Pennsylvania. (The Hong Kong winter months average 35° and the summer months 95°.) He appreciates the beauty of the autumn months in this area and thinks our landscape is beautiful. He states, "I like the peaceful atmosphere in Grantham."

STUDENT "WORK DAY"

Gerald Hess, president of the student body at Messiah College, announced that several projects will be completed with the money earned on the October 11 "Work Day." The 250 students invaded the community and their home towns working on farms, service stations, and in private homes. All the money earned during this day was given to the college Assembly for the student project fund. Nearly \$1,100 was raised in this one day of student activity.

COMING EVENTS AT MESSIAH

December 5, 6, 7—Varsity Basketball Team travels to Goshen.

December 9—New York Brass Quintet (Music Lecture feature).

December 11—Rabbi Sampson A. Shain speaks to the Assembly.

December 12 and 13—Platform Arts Society presents the play, "Noah."

December 17—Choral Christmas Concert.

December 20—Winter Recess begins.

NIAGARA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE Harold Nigh

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Nineteen sixty-three marks the completion of twenty-five years of secondary Christian education at our present location. Near the spot where John Winger and our early fathers from Pennsylvania crossed the Niagara late in the 18th century, the Belmont Club became, in 1938, an active Christian school.

On October 19, 1963, the graduation exercises were held for the twenty-fifth graduating class. An alumnus, Rev. Roy Sider, gave a commencement address that made us, like wisdom, justified of our children. Twelve students received Secondary School Graduation Diplomas. The change to fall graduation is in keeping with the general practice of high schools in Ontario.

An anniversary banquet was held in the evening for present and former staff members. The sole survivor of the 1938 board, Brother Norman Winger, was our most honoured guest. Greetings were read from Bishop John Wichert, of the United Mennonite Church, which officially supported NCC for several years in the 1940's. Bishop E. J. Swalm gave the address, recalling from his intimate knowledge, the history of the College. Lloyd Hogg, member of the Board of Trustees, was master of ceremonies.

There was an initial appeal made for the Anniversary Fund. A goal of 50,000 dollars within five years has been set, and donors are asked to give in "blocks" of fifty dollars per year. The purpose of the Fund is to



NCC graduating class.

enable Niagara Christian College to improve instructional facilities. Contributions to this fund, as well as to maintenance costs, are sincerely solicited.

UPLAND COLLEGE Miss Alma B. Cassel

SUMMIT CONFERENCE

The "Climate of Conversation," which is characteristic of Upland College, was a major feature of the Summit Conference held early this year at the top of the Mt. Baldy Ski Lift. Students and faculty considered topics of intellectual inquiry and shared in periods of devotion and recreation.

After a lecture on "The Metamorphosis of a College Student" by Mr. L. J. Horsch, various discussion groups weighed the challenges of his comments. The afternoon session dealt with the problem of the product of the liberal arts college as compared with the demands of business and industry.

The morning session opened with a short devotional period, and the afternoon session closed with a sharing of spiritual experiences of the summer.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETS

The Board of Trustees met for the regular semi-annual meeting November 23.

ECHOES OF SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS WEEK

"Spiritual Emphasis Week (October 6-11) brought mind stirring, thought provoking, and, most of all, Spirit filling. The Spirit seemed to hover over each meeting, especially Thursday's, for here I found the Holy Spirit for my own."

"I appreciated the place Rev. Ben Jennings gave to the Word. He presented the Scriptures in such a simple and practical manner that one could not help getting the full benefit of their meaning and application."

"It was a time of soul searching and spiritual evaluation for me."

"I received a challenge to a regular plan of devotion."

"The importance of being actively engaged in Christian service impressed me."

"The practical way of expressing Christian love in my life was one thing I learned."

"Coming to Upland College from a public high school, I was impressed with the Christian atmosphere. Friendliness radiated from students and faculty alike. Classes began each day with devotions. The first four weeks of school were periods of spiritual re-evaluation for me. Then came Spiritual Emphasis Week and the culmination of a great pressure and influence from God on my life. To my searching heart, the speaker's words and actions revealed that the love of Christ can truly come and dwell within us and will thus influence every aspect of our lives. The Holy Spirit gave me an awareness of the element of God in all activities, whether academic, social, or spiritual."

Today's Yesterday

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"We learn that Bro. F. Elliott, of Richmond Hill, Ont., is confined to bed sick. May the Lord grant him speedy recovery."

"Elder S. Zook left for Sedgwick, Kansas, on the evening of the 10th, to dedicate a church and to continue the meeting for two or three weeks."

"A series of meetings are being held at the Newbern church now with good attendance and good interest. It commenced about the first of the month."

"Let the wicked forsake his way and the unrighteous man his thoughts and let him return unto the Lord and he will forgive and to our God and he will abundantly pardon."

"The meeting at Bethel is still in progress; interest very good—there have been several who have come out on the Lord's side. The church is very much revived. Two were baptised on the 10th inst. in Chapman Creek."

"The week of prayer is observed in Abilene in a series of meetings held in private houses in the afternoon and in the church at night. The attendance is fair, and the interest is good, especially in the private houses. The services at the church are also improving, and considering that there are two other meetings in progress in town the attendance is good. The meetings will be continued and we hope for good results before the close. The church is being greatly revived."

CHURCH NEWS

BULLETIN-BITS

Speedwell Heights, Mastersonville, Manheim, Mt. Pleasant and Cross Roads congregations, Pa., held their 20th Annual Missionary Conference October 26-30. Returned I-W workers, MCC personnel, furloughed missionaries and recent visitors to the mission field shared in the program.

Alvin C. Burkholder was guest speaker at the Tri-County Holiness Association, Abilene, Kansas, October 11.

The Elwood Hersheys, the Charles Engles, the Robert Lehman, Anna Graybill, Norma Brubaker and outgoing missionary, Miss Verna Gible, presented the program at the Manor, Pa., Missionary Conference, November 9-10.

Pastor Paul Hess, Montgomery, Pa., was guest speaker at the Macedonia United Brethren Church, Sunday evening, October 27.

Donald Zooks, Elwood Hersheys, Robert Lehman, Mary Hoke, Anna Graybill and Norma Brubaker were guest speakers at the Elizabethtown Missionary Conference, November 6-10.

Pastor Aaron Stern, Clarence Center, New York, was guest speaker for Anniversary Sunday at the Ridgemount Brethren in Christ Church, Hamilton, Ontario, Sunday, October 27.

Port Colborne, Ontario, conducted special services, October 27-November 3. Pastor LeRoy Walters, Grantham, Pa., was guest minister.

Pleasant Hill, Ohio, dedicated new pews and new interior finishings in the sanctuary Sunday morning, November 3. This service also featured the farewell message of Pastor Abraham Becker, now serving the Des Moines congregation, Iowa.

The Charles Engles will serve in a missionary conference, Clarence Center, New York, November 30-December 1.

The Oldsters Male Trio, Messiah Home, Harrisburg, Pa., were featured at the Waynesboro Church, Sunday morning, October 13. Rev. John Climenhaga spoke the morning message.

Carlisle, Pa., reports an average attendance increase of 50 in October 1963, compared with October, 1962.

For the first time in almost sixty years of Sunday school history, Springvale, Ontario, exceeded the 100 mark in attendance during October. October 27 attendance reached 164 culminating in an average of 116 per Sunday during October. Congratulations!

William Hoke, recently returned from India, was installed as pastor of the Pleasant Hill, Ohio, congregation the evening of November 6.

Mason-Dixon YFC Club Director, Ron Janzen, was Rally Day speaker at Waynesboro, Pa., Sunday morning, October 27.

The Gospel Tones, Lancaster, Pa., were guest singers at Hummelstown, Pa., Sunday morning, October 13.

Manor, Pa., reports an average attendance during October of 205.

Pastor Gerald Wingert, Orlando, Florida shared in a half hour three minister panel session over TV in Orlando. The local judge presided and directed the panel in discussing "Moral Issues in Our Time."

Locust Grove congregation, Pa., featured a Christ's Crusaders Conference November 1-3. Charles Engle, Richard Maurer, Henry Ginder and Elbert Smith served on the program.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wolgemuth of Wycliffe Bible Translators spoke and showed pictures of jungle training, Chestnut Grove, Ohio, Sunday evening, November 3.

Sherkston congregation, Ontario, at a recent congregational council approved in principle a five year extension program. Providing over 3,000 square feet of classroom space and

other necessary facilities, a debt ceiling of \$20,000 was agreed upon for the five year period.

John A. Climenhaga, Messiah Home, Harrisburg, Pa., is planned to speak the Thanksgiving message at Cross Roads, Pa., Thanksgiving morning.

Pastor Earl Engle, Colorado Springs, Colorado, was guest speaker at Abilene, Kansas, Sunday morning, October 27.

Cedar Grove, Pa., reports a baptismal service for five, September 29, with four of these young people received into church membership.

Allen and Leoda Buckwalter, before returning to India, were featured at Chino, California, Sunday evening, November 3.

Jacob Kuhns was guest speaker for Rally Day at Mt. Rock, Pa., October 13. Richard Witmer, Donald Zook, and John Byers were featured as guest speakers the other Sundays in October.

Dale Hess, I-W recently returned from Africa, spoke and showed pictures at Elizabethtown, Pa., Sunday evening, November 17.

Beulah Chapel, Ohio, reports excellent interest in evangelistic services with J. R. Woodland, Kingston, Ontario serving as evangelist. Much conviction is in evidence.

Albuquerque, New Mexico, plans a small extension building program including space for recreational facilities. Sunday school attendance reached 99 for two successive Sundays in October.

Orlando Espinosa, a Cuban refugee worshipping at Springfield, Ohio, has been chosen president of Christ's Crusaders. He plans with the Crusaders an elaborate Christmas play. Christmas was the highpoint of the year in Cuba.

Harry Bert, student at Messiah College, is serving as interim pastor at Mt. Rock, Pa. The former pastor, Clifford Lloyd, gave his farewell message, November 3.

REVIVAL SERVICES

Walter Winger at Waynesboro, Pa., November 17-24; Eber Dourte at Albuquerque, New Mexico, October 30-November 10; Ohmer U. Herr at Cedar Grove, Pa., Dec. 1-15; S. Lane Hostetter at Village Church, Indiana, November 14-24; J. Ralph Wenger at Dayton Church, Ohio, November 3-17; Eugene Heidler at Spring Hope, Pa., November 3-17.

UPLAND, CALIFORNIA

Work is progressing nicely on the Fellowship Hall. The building is much needed for Sunday school and social activities of the church. It is hoped that it will be ready for use by Christmas.

The Women's Retreat including ladies of the Upland congregation and nearby Conference Churches was held Wednesday evening, October 30. It proved to be a time of real blessing and fellowship with Sister Leoda Buckwalter as guest speaker.

The Buckwalters gave their farewell Sunday morning, November 3. We have appreciated their presence and messages during this five months period. Friends and relatives weathered a heavy rain storm to bid them farewell at the Los Angeles Airport, returning to India, Wednesday morning, November 6.

Mrs. Allen D. Foote

Evangelical Visitor

HANOVER, PA.

Ted Denter, converted Jehovah Witness, gave a message to us recently. He spoke of his own conversion and gave guidance how to witness to a Jehovah Witness.

A family get-together was held in the parsonage basement the month of August. William Rosenberry showed slides and spoke on mission work in Alaska.

Other activities included a baptismal service for seven and our fall lovefeast, October 12, with Pastor Earl Lehman of Shermans Valley as guest speaker.

The Christ's Crusaders with Pastor Paul Martin presented a program at the New Guilford Church, October 13. The Crusaders go each third Tuesday night of the month to the Cross Keys Brethren Home.

MONTGOMERY, PA.

A class studying "Evangelism in Your Local Church" was taught by Paul McBeth the week of September 9-13. This interesting and helpful study was attended by a class averaging 26.

Mr. George Hoffer, a secret detective, Elizabethtown, Pa., spoke to the Men's Fellowship, September 28. Forty three men attended the dinner and listened to the discussion "Crime, Communism and Catholicism."

Mildred Myers was given a farewell handkerchief shower, October 5. The get-together, held in the parsonage basement, featured a covered dish supper.

Other guests included Bert Winger and Hess Brubaker, ministering in our lovefeast services, October 19-20. Bishop Charlie Byers led in a get together of Franklin County officials the evening of October 26. Following a Fellowship supper Brother Byers gave some interesting and pertinent facts of the Allegheny Conference. Lyle Myers rendered a solo and a United Zion minister, Luke Showalter, gave the evening message.

Mrs. Naomi Brechbill was guest speaker for Cradle Roll Sunday, October 27. Each Cradle Roll mother was presented with a corsage.

LANCASTER, PA.

An outdoor missionary fellowship was held on the church lawn in August. Guests, Howard and Pearl Wolgemuth, Erma Hare and Dr. and Mrs. John Kreider spoke to us.

Ray Curry visited our congregation recently, leading in what is known as the Soul Winners Clinic. His messages were very inspiring. He is scheduled to return in January for a week of evangelism.

Pastor Lane Hostötter added a new touch to our midweek services. He requested the congregation to submit questions to be discussed. This was done by different members of the congregation and proved quite interesting.

There was an average attendance of 172 in the summer Bible school. Harold Stern is leader of a newly organized Boy's Christian Brigade.

SPRINGHOPE, PA.

A large group gathered for a Galilean service at George Feaster's Pond in Fishertown. Special music was provided by the Altoona quartet and the Mark Slagenweit family. Guest speaker was pastor William Berry, Blandburg, Pa. The service concluded with a trumpet solo, "Now the Day is Over." Paul Leister rendered the number as the boat sailed to the far side of the pond.

The western Pennsylvania Churches convened here for their fourth annual missionary conference. The conference started with an afternoon of fellowship including the mission-

aries, ministers and their wives. Albert Engle spoke to the group.

Speakers included Donald Zook, Robert Lehmans, Misses Mildred Myers, Anna Graybill and Mapendhla Moyo speaking for Africa; Charles Engles and William Hoke speaking for India. The nearby Youth Center was used for guest entertainment. The Melodette Trio provided special music for the conference.

The conference came to an impressive conclusion with Brother and Sister Engle giving a visual demonstration of village visitation in India. This was enjoyed by both old and young.

Three from our group attended the Allegheny WMPC Retreat held at Messiah College, October 26.

BETHANY, OKLAHOMA

The Berean Sunday school class sponsored an informal get-together in honor of our retiring pastor, Rev. and Mrs. Ray Smee. In appreciation of their services a number of gifts were presented to them. Present plans include their continuing to live in Clinton. Brother Smee anticipates some opportunities in revival campaigns.

Rev. and Mrs. Henry Landis and family came to us from Des Moines, Iowa, in October. An installation service was held Sunday, October 20.

A few days prior they were honored with a food shower at their residence near Thomas. They live in the home of David Switzer.

L. M. F.

FALLS VIEW, ONTARIO, CANADA

Special services were conducted October 9-20. We are grateful for the ministry of Bishop Henry Ginder, resulting in more of revival than an evangelistic campaign.

One feature of the meetings was a family fellowship supper held in the church basement. Charles S. Lady was guest soloist at this informal fellowship, also ministering to us in one of the Sunday morning services.

Brother Ginder spoke to the Crusaders group who gathered for a wiener roast and fireside service in Pastor Nigh's woodlot.

Patsy Prescott, converted after 22 years in show business, gave a beautiful witness to the marvelous grace of God in her life, Sunday evening, October 27. She was a guest of the Christ's Crusaders group.

Fall activities include the organizing of a Boy's Brigade and Pioneer Girls. Also the Women's Missionary Service started their activities again, October 30. A record number were in attendance for the all day sewing.

Mildred Nigh

FIVE FORKS, PA.

Dr. and Mrs. James Teeter, Waynesboro, Pa., spent their summer vacation at a Conservative Baptist Mission station on the ivory coast of Africa doing much work in surgery. Recently they showed slides of their trip and spoke very interestingly of the Lord's work in that part of Africa. Miss Evelyn Poe showed slides of the land of Lebanon and especially the girl's college where she taught last year. Miss Norma Brubaker spoke to us about mission work in Africa.

A record attendance was set for our Sunday school during the Forward Campaign. On the second Sunday Earl Donmoyer, Hagerstown, Md., taught the Sunday school lesson and Earl Shultz, Hagerstown Youth for Christ, brought the morning message.

In a recent Sunday morning worship service a young man came forward to receive Christ as Saviour. Earlier a young couple who had been attending the services, received water baptism. We praise God for His working, giving answers to prayer.

CARLISLE, PA., BURNS THE MORTGAGE

Sunday, October 27, was a special day of thanksgiving. The final check was written covering outstanding indebtedness on church properties. This was followed by a mortgage burning ceremony.

The pastor, Paul L. Snyder, spoke on "Wrought of God," and Bishop Charlie B. Byers presented "The Glory Through Earthen Vessels." The choir meaningfully presented the hymn "Rejoice, the Lord is King."



Sharing in the Carlisle Mortgage Burning ceremony: left to right; Bishop Charlie B. Byers, C. G. Niesley, C. Richard Stover, Rev. Paul L. Snyder; seated, Raymond Peterman.

Upon receiving the morning offering of \$2,676.44, the final check amounting to \$2,000 was written, completing payment of the mortgage. Richard Stover, representing the Harrisburg National Bank and Trust Co., was present to receive the check from the church treasurer, Raymond Peterman.

Mr. Cyrus G. Niesley, chairman of the Board of Trustees, made a few comments concerning the significance of the occasion. Following a response by Pastor Snyder, the note was burned to the significant strains of the Doxology. The former pastor, Rev. Roy H. Wenger, led in a prayer of thanksgiving. Rev. Wenger served as pastor during the days of the building of the church edifice. The brotherhood rejoices with the Carlisle congregation in reaching this milestone.

The amount, \$676.44, given above the necessary amount to clear indebtedness, was given to missions. Over the years, while liquidating the indebtedness, an active interest in missions was on the increase.

The congregation's present project is the development of a youth camp. A few years ago Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lehman gave five acres of land along the Conodoguinet Creek to be known as the J. O. Lehman Retreat. This area serves the recreational and camping needs of the church for the Sunday school, Pioneer Girls and Christian Service Brigade.

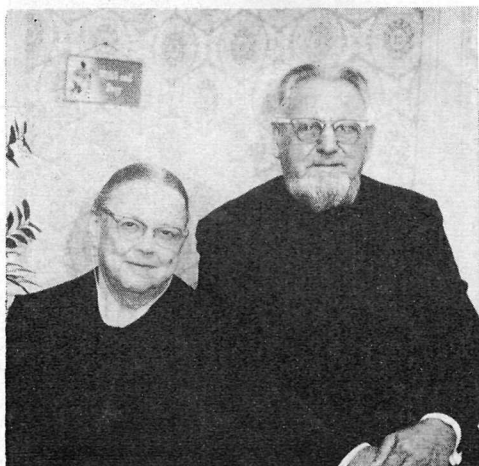
REV. AND MRS. ALLEN H. HOFFER CELEBRATE 50 YEARS

The children, Almeda, Mrs. Raymond B. Ginder, Manheim; Mary, Mrs. Harry Dohner, Middletown; and their son, Blaine, Lebanon, Pa., served a family dinner in honor of their parents, Rev. and Mrs. Allen Hoffer's 50th Wedding Anniversary, Monday, October 7. In addition they received many congratulations from neighbors, relatives, and friends.

They were married by the late Bishop H. B. Hoffer, an uncle of Brother Hoffer. Fifteen months after their marriage they were converted under the ministry of Rev. Henry O. Musser. They united with the Brethren in Christ Church in May, 1915, becoming members of the Manheim congregation.

Both have been active as teachers in the Sunday school, Brother Hoffer having served as Sunday school superintendent for a number of years. In later years he led in the opening of a Sunday school at what is now called Bethel Chapel, Reinholds, Pa. He was the first pastor of this congregation. Other activities included personal evangelism, quite active as tent caretakers at various times. Their service and fellowship enriched the brotherhood of which they are a part.

They have two grandsons, Donald and Gerald Hoffer living at Lebanon, Pa.



Births

BIRELY—Mitchell Lorn, born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Birely, October 15, 1963, Waynesboro congregation, Pa.

CARLSON—Denise Kathryn, born October 22, 1963, to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Carlson, Chicago congregation, Illinois, presently living in Kansas City, Missouri.

CARNATHAN—Jeffrey Scott, born March 28, 1963 to Mr. and Mrs. Lester Carnathan, Ref-ton congregation, Pa.

DERR—Robert Victor, born to Mr. and Mrs. John Derr, October 12, 1963, Lancaster congregation, Pa.

FRETZ—Michael, fifth child born to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Fretz, Jr., July 29, 1963, Falls View congregation, Ontario, Canada.

FREY—Paula Evelyn, born to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Frey, August 25, 1963, Upland congregation, California.

GOINS—Robert Louis, born to Mr. and Mrs. Gale Goins, September 29, 1963, Upland congregation, California.

HELFRICK—Delbert Ray, born to Mr. and Mrs. Asa Helfrick, October 2, 1963, Montgomery congregation, Pa.

HOUSER—John Paul, born November 2, 1963, to Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Houser, Hollowell congregation, Pa.

HUBER—Gregory Allen, born September 16, 1963, to Mr. and Mrs. Dale Huber, Union Grove congregation, Indiana, presently living in Findlay, Ohio.

LEISTER—Mary Pauline, born to Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Leister, July 21, 1963, Spring Hope congregation, Pa.

MCDONALD—Troy Anthony, born October 19, 1963, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert McDonald, Lancaster, Pa.

Weddings

CROWE-DOWNIN — Miss Donna Downin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Downin, Mont Alto, Pa., and Robert Crowe, son of Mrs. Edna Crowe and the late Mr. Woodrow Crowe, Waynesboro, Pa., were united in marriage, August 31, 1963. The ceremony was performed by pastor J. Ralph Wenger in the Five Forks Brethren in Christ Church.

FEASTER-EYER—Mrs. Ethelda Eyer and Mr. Virgil Feaster were united in marriage, August 22, 1963, in a beautiful garden setting in the presence of the immediate family and a few close friends. Pastor Eber Dourte officiated.

GOINS-KITCHEN—Miss Judith Ann Kitchen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest E. Kitchen, Wilmore, Pa., became the bride of Raymond C. Goins, son of Mrs. Mabel McClintock, Pomona, and Mr. Lewis Goins, Upland, Calif., September 6, 1963, in the Upland Brethren in Christ Church. Rev. Cletus Naylor officiated.

GUNTHER-DEJARNETTE — Miss Linda Carol DeJarnette, Baltimore, Md., and Mr. John Gunther, 628 Marlyn Ave., were united in marriage, October 26, 1963, at the Marlyn Brethren in Christ Church by pastor W. Rupert Turman.

HILSHER-MILLER—Miss Emma Lois Miller, daughter of Mrs. Eva R. Miller was given in marriage to Richard O. Hilsher, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Hilsher, Elizabethtown, Pa., October 26, 1963. The ceremony was performed in the Good's Mennonite Church, Bishop Clarence E. Lutz officiating, assisted by Rev. C. R. Heisey.

HORST-WENGER—Miss Doris Wenger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Wenger, Greencastle, Pa., and Luke Horst, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otha Horst, Clear Spring, Md., were united in marriage in the Five Forks Brethren in Christ Church. The bride's brother, the pastor of the church, J. Ralph Wenger, officiated.

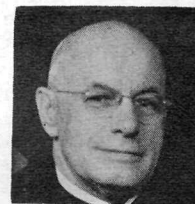
LEBO-KNEPPER — Miss Marlene Knepper, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Knepper, Chambersburg, Pa., and Earl B. Lebo, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lebo, Mechanicsburg, Pa., were united in marriage, October 19, 1963, in the New Guilford Brethren in Christ Church. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Earl J. Lehman, uncle of the groom, assisted by Rev. Charles Rife, pastor of the bride.

Obituaries

HEISEY—Marian Heisey, wife of the late Simon Heisey, Elizabethtown, Pa., was born April 23, 1906, passed away October 16, 1963. Her husband predeceased her by fifteen months. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. James Flowers and Mrs. Kenneth Gutshall, and six grandchildren. She was a member of the Lutheran Church, Elizabethtown.

Funeral services were conducted from the Nissley Funeral Home, Mount Joy, Pa. Rev. C. R. Heisey officiated.

REIGHARD — Rev. Walter R. Reighard, 74 years, passed away, October 9, 1963, at his home in Elizabethtown, Pa. He had been under the care of a physician for several years.



Brother Reighard was the first mission pastor sent out by the Brethren in Christ Church. He gave a long term of service throughout the United States and Canada, strengthening the work of the church. He served eight years in Kentucky; three and a half years at Kindersley, Saskatchewan, Canada; eight and one half years, Dallas Center, Iowa; four years at the San Francisco Life Line Mission; two years at Welland, Ontario, Canada and one and one half years at Buffalo, New York.

He was born near Troy, Ohio, the son of the late David and Elizabeth Miller Reighard. He moved with his family to Elizabethtown, Pa., in 1943 where he became a member of the congregation there and served on the church board for a number of years.

He was united in marriage, June 1, 1926, to Sadie Hossler of Elizabethtown, Pa. In addition to his wife he is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Earl R. Good, Elizabethtown, Pa.; a son, Kenneth L., Elizabethtown, six grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. David Hershey,

Pleasant Hill, Ohio; Mrs. Ethel Hoover, Palmyra, Pa., and a brother, David, Tipp City, Ohio. Funeral services were held in the Elizabethtown Brethren in Christ Church, pastor R. Donald Shafer officiating. The funeral text: "For Me to Live is Christ, to Die is Gain." Special words of sympathy were given to the family from the Board of Home Missions and Extension, a telegram was read from Bishop Henry Ginder and words of recognition for Brother Reighard's many years of service were given by Dr. C. N. Hostetter, Jr. Interment was in the Cross Roads Cemetery.

MADDEN—Carolyn Marie, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Fike, Ramona, Kansas, was born August 4, 1940, passed away at Dexter, Iowa, October 21, 1963. She died as a result of injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

In 1958 she was united in marriage to Richard Madden. After two years of married life her husband was taken by death in a tragic automobile accident. She is survived by a three-year-old daughter, Cathy Jo, her parents, one sister, two brothers, maternal grandpar-

ents, and a large number of relatives and friends.

As a child and teenager she attended the Rosebank Sunday school. Her radiant personality will long be remembered. Funeral services were held at the Rosebank Church, Bishop Alvin Burkholder and Rev. Charles Rickel officiating. Burial was in the Lewis Cemetery in Ramona, Kansas.

STROLE—George Luther Strole was born November 6, 1872, in Virginia, passed away at

Missions in America

Explanatory note: Missions () and Extension Churches are listed as per address.*

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his home, Navarre, Kansas, October 12, 1963. He was a member of the Brethren in Christ Church, having his membership at Belle Springs, later with the Rosebank congregation.

He was united in marriage to Emma B. Eisenhower, February 7, 1900. He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Cecil Botts, Enid, Oklahoma; Mrs. Willard Oswald, Hope, Kansas; four sons, Dean, Wichita; Dale, Navarre; and Paul and Elmer, Herington. One brother, three sisters, four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren with other relatives and friends also survive.

Funeral services were held at the Navarre Church of the Brethren, Rev. Charles Rickel and Rev. Francis Shenefelt officiating. Interment was in the Navarre Cemetery.

Voss—Ralph Voss, 77 years old, Ontario, California, died in the San Antonio Community Hospital following a long illness. He moved to California from Morrison, Illinois.

Surviving are five daughters and four sons. He was affiliated with the Temple Baptist Church, Ontario, California.

MCC News

MDS REGION I MEETS

HARRISONBURG, VA. (MCC)—The Mennonite Disaster Service units of the eastern United States (Region I) at their annual meeting in Harrisonburg, Va., October 31, made plans for MDS's all-region annual meeting in February.

The all-region meeting, which will draw MDS men from all over the United States and Canada, is scheduled to be held on February 13 and 14 in eastern Pennsylvania. The meeting place will be announced later.

Thirty-two unit representatives from as far south as Florida attended the afternoon business session of the Region I meeting.

Edgar Metzler, executive secretary of the MCC Peace Section, gave the main address at a banquet that evening. He spoke on why he was enthused about MDS. One of the primary reasons for his enthusiasm, he said, was that MDS enabled laymen to get involved in the work of the church. Ivan Martin showed slides of the disaster caused by Hurricane Flora in Haiti.

DISASTER SERVICE TEAM FOR HAITI

A Mennonite Disaster Service volunteer group of fifteen left for Haiti, Wednesday, October 30, to help rebuild a community which was destroyed by Hurricane Flora.

News Items

CHICAGO SURGEON QUILTS PRACTICE TO SERVE THE LORD IN AFRICA

CHICAGO (CNS)—Dr. Howard H. Hamlin, 51, who for the last two years spent his vacations working in an understaffed hospital in Swaziland, has given up his practice as a South side surgeon here and left Chicago with his wife to serve in Africa as a missionary of the Church of the Nazarene.

Dr. Hamlin, who was on the staff of the South Shore Hospital and for many years active in the Christian Medical Society, sailed from New York for London on October 16 with his wife, Maxine.

Before becoming a missionary, Dr. Hamlin was a member of the General Board of the Church of the Nazarene, chief administrative body of the denomination, and also of its Mis-

sion Board. He is a former president of Chicagoland Youth for Christ.

Dr. Hamlin will serve as surgeon in two hospitals. For two months out of three, he will be stationed at the Raleigh Fitkin Memorial Hospital, Manzini, Swaziland, on the northeast edge of the Union of South Africa, and for one month at the Ethel Lucas Memorial Hospital, Acomhoek, Transvaal, South Africa. Both are operated by the Church of the Nazarene.

A farewell service was held Sunday, October 6, for Dr. and Mrs. Hamlin in the First Church of the Nazarene, on Chicago's South side.

NOTED AUTHOR WRITES BOOKLET FOR WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

WHEATON, ILL. (CNS)—Rosalind Rinker, author of five books and noted speaker at prayer retreats, has written the booklet which will be used in hundreds of communities when World Day of Prayer is observed next February 14.

The booklet, "So Shall Ye Be My Disciples," provides material for a complete worship service in community-wide or local church observance of the special day on the Protestant calendar. One of Miss Rinker's best-selling books is *Prayer—Conversing with God*.

The worship materials are made available without charge by the National Association of Evangelicals. A sample copy may be secured by writing to NAE, box 28, Wheaton, Illinois.

ATHEIST CHALLENGES TAX EXEMPT STATUS OF CHURCH PROPERTY

BALTIMORE, MD. (CNS)—Mrs. Madalyn Murray has filed a suit in Superior Court here challenging the tax exemption of church-owned property. Mrs. Murray, a professed atheist whose suit in the U. S. Supreme Court ruled out required prayer and Bible reading in the public schools, asked the court to declare the tax-exemption unconstitutional.

She argues that the exemption places a financial burden on her since property taxes for individuals, according to her suit, would be reduced by one to five per cent if the churches were made to pay.

She further contends the practice denies taxpayers due process of law under the Fourteenth Amendment and it violates the principle of church-state separation.

Mrs. Murray has been given a tract of land in Kansas for the development of a center for atheism. She promises to protest the use of nuns in the public schools in some communities in Kansas on the same principle as she challenged prayer and Bible reading.

CONRAD JENSEN GOES WITH JIM VAUS

Youth Development Inc., headed by Jim Vaus, has been operating for nearly six years in the Post Office area known as Hellgate Station, New York City. Steeped in violence and crime of every description, Jim Vaus, an ex-criminal himself, has dedicated his life to salvaging youth from this violent way of life.

Several months ago, Deputy Conrad Jensen resigned his post with the New York City Police Department to become associate director of YDI.

SCHOOL RADIO CARRIES PRAYER, BIBLE READINGS TO STUDENT

HENDERSON, N. C. (E.P.)—Daily devotionals in the public schools here are continuing as in former years, despite the decision of the U. S. Supreme Court.

Prayers and Bible readings are being piped into each classroom at Henderson High School over an inter-com system.

Principal F. D. Kesler said chapel exercises also are being held according to schedule. He announced there has been no change in the traditional practice in which principals or teachers read from the Bible and lead students in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

GOSPEL FILMS FOR MISSIONARY USE

CHICAGO, ILL. (EP)—Moody Institute of Science films are being made available to approved mission boards and missionaries for use outside the U.S. and Canada on a lease basis. The lease arrangement is intended to be a permanent one and is designed only to prevent abuse of the privilege of using the films, officials say.

Conditions to be agreed upon in the contract include the following: (a) No transfer to another without written consent, (b) No changes to be made in the film, (c) Use of films for raising funds only with prior approval, (d) An annual reporting of use and results, and (e) No television use without prior approval. A list of titles by languages and special missionary prices are available from Moody Institute of Science, 11428 Santa Monica Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. 90025.

YFC TEAM IN AFRICA

ADDIS ABABA, ETHIOPIA (EP)—Emperor Hailie Selassie received in private audience here the six-member Youth for Christ International's "Teen-Team" led by Gerald Major of Scranton, Pa.

The audience, given just before the emperor departed on a trip to the U.S., was held after the non-denominational team arrived in the Ethiopian capital for a two-week visit. The group also will go to seven other African countries before returning to the U.S. in December.

Two of the six team members are Negroes, Jim Bolden of Muskegon, Mich., and Ed Johnson of Detroit. Others are Gerald Major of Scranton, Pa., Jay Platte of Indianapolis, Ind., Gil Moegerle of Beaver Falls, Pa., and Steve Edwards of Syracuse, N. Y.

CRIME IN CAPITAL CONTINUES CLIMB

WASHINGTON (EP)—Crime in the nation's capital during September increased 17.4 per cent over the same month last year, it was reported here.

This marks the sixteenth consecutive monthly rise in "Part I offenses" which include murder, rape, robbery, auto theft, assault, and larceny.

The total number of offenses for the month rose to 2,182, an increase of 324. Greatest jump was in housebreakings, which went from 403 to 614. Criminal homicide and rape increased almost 100 per cent over September, 1962. This September saw 17 homicides and 14 rapes. Robberies and aggravated assaults declined.

The all-time high month for serious offenses was August, 1962, with 2,512. Washington has a population of about 775,000.

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